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 blue. A biplane and a twin-engine aircraft were observed at the take-off point. Twelve railroad tank cars were seen on the spur track of the southeastern fuel dump. ¹

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2. No AA guns were observed in the AA gun emplacement in the southwestern corner of the field, close to the Werneuchen-Wesendahl road. Six 76-mm AA guns were seen in the emplacement in the northwestern of the field and an additional 2 guns of the same caliber in a shed next to the emplacement. There were also two large van-like trucks presumably mounting model AA 1 MK 2 sets. Two similar van-like vehicles without superstructures were parked south of the former vehicles. The emplacement just south of the eastern third of the southern taxiway was occupied by 37-mm AA guns. Three guns were observed there and additional guns were assumed to be in the emplacement.²

3. The following radio installations and radar sets were observed at the field:

The PKV-45 DF station was still located slightly south of Hirschfelde 200 meters east of the eastern end of the runway. About 50 meters farther to the east there was a single-mast radio installation and a radio truck

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Two radio trucks with masts 7 to 8 meters high were parked just northeast of the easternmost hangar. An egg-shaped device about 30 cm high and similar to a wire netting was on top of the masts. ³

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6. Between 1615 and 1700, on 15 November, 48 Il-28s and U-Il-28s were counted at the field. There was a 10/10 overcast at a low altitude and moderate visibility. No flights were made. ¹

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7. A model AA 4 MK 3 radar set was observed between the first and third aircraft revetments north of the western end of the runway. Three radio installations were seen from a large distance east of the eastern end of the runway. ³

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